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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Gianfranco VERBANA, Primo GAROFOLI  
HYBRID THROUGH-AIR TELECOMMUNICATION SYSTEM PROTECTED AGAINST  
OUTAGES  
Assignee: ALCATEL  
Our Ref. Q68569

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 18 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, 2 sheets of drawings, executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form, and executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

|                           |    |   |    |   |   |   |         |   |                  |
|---------------------------|----|---|----|---|---|---|---------|---|------------------|
| Total claims              | 25 | - | 20 | = | 5 | x | \$18.00 | = | \$90.00          |
| Independent claims        | 8  | - | 3  | = | 5 | x | \$84.00 | = | \$420.00         |
| Base Fee                  |    |   |    |   |   |   |         |   | \$740.00         |
| <b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>   |    |   |    |   |   |   |         |   | <b>\$1250.00</b> |
| Recordation of Assignment |    |   |    |   |   |   |         |   | \$40.00          |
| <b>TOTAL FEE</b>          |    |   |    |   |   |   |         |   | <b>\$1290.00</b> |

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$1250.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

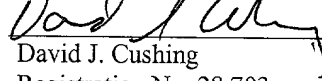
Priority is claimed from:

| <u>Country</u> | <u>Application No</u> | <u>Filing Date</u> |
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| Italy          | MI2001A000414         | March 1, 2001      |

The priority document is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,  
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